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# PLENTY OF FISH— PRICES ARE LOW

## Large Vessel Receipts Augmented by Big Amounts Over the Road.

After the holidays, trade opened brisk at the new fish pier this morning, there being a plentiful supply of all grades.

Quite a fleet of the off shore crafts came in, which with the Gloucester shipments gave the dealers plenty of stock.

Prices ruled low, wholesale quotations being \$1.50 to \$2.50 a hundred weight for haddock, \$3 for large and \$2 for market cod, \$3 for hake, \$2.50 to \$3 for pollock and \$2 for cusk.

### Boston Arrivals and Receipts

The arrivals and receipts in detail are:

- Sch. Laverna, 40,000 haddock, 15,000 cod, 10,000 halibut.
  - Str. Surf, 58,000 haddock, 7000 cod.
  - Str. Crest, 77,000 haddock, 7000 cod.
  - Sch. Alice, 53,000 haddock, 16,000 cod, 9000 cusk, 2000 halibut.
  - Sch. Jessie Costa, 75,000 haddock, 5800 cod, 10,000 hake, 10,000 cusk.
  - Sch. Manhasset, 10,000 haddock, 130,000 cod, 4000 halibut.
  - Sch. James W. Parker, 22,000 haddock, 50,000 cod.
  - Sch. Frances S. Grueby, 30,000 haddock, 15,000 cod, 9000 hake, 10,000 cusk.
  - Sch. Eleanor DeCosta, 27,000 haddock, 21,000 cod.
  - Sch. Progress, 23,000 haddock, 16,000 cod.
  - Sch. Lucania, 18,000 haddock, 11,000 cod.
  - Sch. Valerie, 20,000 haddock, 7000 cod.
  - Sch. Mary C. Santos, 27,000 haddock, 18,000 cod.
  - Sch. W. M. Goodspeed, 8000 haddock, 1600 cod.
  - Sch. Richard J. Nunan, 14,000 cod, 14,000 hake, 14,000 cusk.
  - Sch. Genesta, 4500 haddock, 1900 hake, 5000 cusk.
  - Sch. Ethel B. Penny, 12,000 haddock, 12,000 cod.
  - Sch. Hattie A. Heckman 4500 cod.
  - Sch. Actor, 9000 cod.
  - Sch. Eva Avina, 6000 cod.
  - Sch. Laura Enos, 6500 cod.
  - Sch. Olivia Sears, 4000 cod.
- Haddock \$1.50 to \$2.50 per cwt.; large cod \$3; market cod \$2; hake \$3; pollock \$2.50 to \$3; cusk \$2; halibut 14 cents for white and gray.

### Suffered From the Gale.

News recently, states that the Boston fishing schooner Robert and Arthur drifted during the recent gale and fouled another schooner. Both vessels were at anchor in Provincetown harbor, and when the Robert and Arthur dragged and struck the other, she lost her main boom. The schooner, is at Pubnico, N. S., disabled and with her bowsprit gone by the board. She plugged into a hurried gust off shore and lost her canvas in the squall which swept her from her quarter.

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# MUST CURE THE HERRING BETTER

## Western Star Gives Good Advice to Bay of Islands N. F. Fishermen.

Under the caption, "Our Herring Industry", the Bay of Islands, N. F., Western Star of recent date says:

"The letter of Capt. Farquhar published in our last issue must be welcome news to those engaged in the herring industry.

"For a number of years the cured herring industry has been carried on with very indifferent results, we may say, at a loss, and in a great measure due to the careless and indifferent results, we may say, at a loss, and in a great measure due to the careless and indifferent methods of curing and packing. Now that we have been told in plain unmistakable language that if care and attention be given to the curing of herring and remunerative prices can be obtained for them we should act upon the advice given.

"The development of the great Canadian North West and the establishment of mammoth industries on the land have drawn away a vast army of United States and Canadian fishermen from the prosecution of the fishing industry, and those who supplied the capital in those countries to carry on the industry cannot now find operatives to engage in the work, hence the demand is yearly increasing for the fish products of this country. That we have an inexhaustible supply none can gainsay, but of what value is it unless we bring intelligence and skill in the prosecution and marketing of it.

"Food products of all kinds are sold upon their merits for quality not quantity. How many of us work upon the principal of catching large quantities of herring and afterwards find that in order to save them that proper care and attention cannot be given the work, and in order to avoid throwing them back again into the water we attempt the task of handling more than our abilities will permit.

"What is the result? Badly cured herring, poorly made packages and low prices. If we applied ourselves to the task of curing one half the quantity of herring and do the work well, our earning power would be increased many times, and Newfoundland herring would attain a very high standard and bring purchasers to our doors instead of having to look for them. When we commence to work with the thought uppermost in our minds that the herring we are handling and curing are for the food of man, and that the bright, clean well cured herring and well made package make the article pleasing to the eye and palatable to the consumer.

"When we purchase food products we usually go to the bright, clean and well kept store, we do not pass it by and go to the uncleanly in preference; people of other countries have the same desires and tastes and when they see the well made package and

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the bright herring of the Scotch packer they are going to purchase them in preference to our indifferent cure, even though the former cost very much more. It therefore, rests with us individually and collectively to make this industry tens of thousands of dollars of greater value annually. Let us turn over a new leaf, so to speak and resolve from henceforth to apply ourselves diligently to the work of creating a standard of quality for our herring that will ensure for them a market which will command double the price heretofore paid."

### Sch. Harmony Saved.

After being abandoned by her crew as a total loss, sch. Harmony of this port, which was driven ashore at St. Pierre, Miq., was successfully floated Saturday and brought to harbor to be docked and will be repaired.

News that the Harmony had been floated was received by Manager Arthur E. Rowe of the Eastern Fisheries Company, Saturday. The news that the craft had been saved was most welcome information indeed, for Capt. Gibbs in his dispatch of Friday stated that the vessel would be a total loss.

According to particulars received, the Harmony was fishing on St. Pierre bank, a week ago yesterday, when a sudden gale compelled her skipper to cut his cable and hasten to shelter, leaving behind several skates of trawl and 400 fathoms of buoyed cable. On Thursday the vessel went out after her lines and cable, but when returning to port in tow of the tug Jeanne D'Arc, the tug's propellor broke and both crafts were driven ashore. The tug probably will be a total loss.

### Boston Had Fresh Mackerel.

One of the Boston Fanuell hall market fish dealers Friday had on sale a half dozen fresh mackerel, the first to be received at Boston this season. The fish were large specimens and weighed about three pounds each. They were selling at \$2 apiece, which is one of the highest prices on record for fresh mackerel.

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### Porpoise Steak Good.

The Portland Evening Express and Daily Advertiser says:

Boothbay fisherman landed among their other fish at Bath this week a porpoise which they sold for steak. They claimed it to be good eating. Despite the high cost of living planked porpoise, deviled dogfish, steamed starfish, sea urchins on toast, mussels a la ptomaine, scalloped sculpins, rockweed soup and other such economic sea foods somehow fail to appeal to us.

### Steamer Kite Reported Safe.

The sealing steamer Kite, from which no tidings have been received for more than a month, was reported safe Saturday. The Kite, which is the smallest vessel in the sealing fleet, has about 70 men on board.

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# SPRING CATCH OF LUNENBURGERS

The Lunenburg, N. S., schooner which have arrived from the bank with their catches to date are.

- The Clintonia, Mack, 500 qtls.; Marion Mosher, Mosher, 400 qtls.; R. L. Borden, Himmelman, 400 qtls.; M. M. Gardner, Baekman, 400 qtls.; Revenue Moosman, 400 qtls.; Jennie Ritcey, Ritcey, (Riverport), 400 qtls.; W. T. White, Knock, 450 qtls.; Lillian B. Corkum, Corkum, 400 qtls.; F. M. Toro, Corkum, 375 qtls.; Warren G. Winters, Silver, 260 qtls.; Carrie L. Hirtle, (Hirtle), 300 qtls.; Henry L. Montague, Knickle, 300 qtls.; Jennie E. Duff, Wamback, 250 qtls.; Assurance, Zinck, 200 qtls.; Matanzas Wentzell (Riverport), 250 qtls.; Lauretta Frances, Spindler, 400 qtls.

### Lockeport Fishing News.

Following is the list of fish from April 6 to 11: The total catch was 192,655 pounds mixed fresh fish, and 825 pounds halibut. The Ohio was a high liner with a catch of 43,000 pounds mixed fresh fish and and 181 pounds halibut. Some of the vessels sold at Halifax and other points. The list of vessels is as follows: Togo, 520 pounds mixed fish; Ohio, 43,000 pounds mixed fish, 181 pounds halibut; Lydia May, 18,615 pounds mixed fish 195 pounds halibut; Valmore, 500 pounds mixed fish; R. L. McKenzie 23,395 pounds mixed fish; Julia Opp 37,000 pounds mixed fish, Olive R., 90 pounds mixed fish; Roseway, 38,000 pounds mixed fish, 115 pounds halibut; Ronald B., 15,000 pounds mixed fish 334 pounds halibut; Gladiator, 420 pounds mixed fish; Three Brothers, 3240 pounds mixed fish; Blanchard C., 2200 pounds mixed fish; Elval Belle, 1300 pounds mixed fish; Loh H. 1105 pounds mixed fish.

### Arrivals at Halifax.

With large cargoes of fish, several schooners put into Halifax, Friday to bait. The schooner J. D. Hazen has nearly 34,000 pounds of salt fish on board, but did not discharge her cargo. Her captain intends to complete the trip before he sells. The Armit also arrived with a large catch, having 25,000 pounds in salt, she also does not intend to discharge her fare until completing her trip.

Several others vessels arrived at Halifax with various catches and take on bait.

### The Norwegian Fishery.

The St. John's, N. F., Trade Review says:

The Norwegian fishery shows an increase of seven and three-quarter million fish since our report of last week was published. The last figures that reached us are 53,000,000 fish—a very high count for the first week in April. To same date last year, the figures were about 31,000,000 fish, and last year the voyage was a large one. From present indications Norway's catch this year will be, far, the largest in record of that country.



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# HALIBUT FROM THE GRAND BANK

Sch. John Hays Hammond  
Here Today and Hails for  
20,000 Pounds.

Sch. John Hays Hammond, Capt. Archie McLeod, arrived from a halibut trip this forenoon after a four weeks' absence, bringing 20,000 pounds fresh halibut and 15,000 pounds salt cod besides. The halibut fare sold to the American Halibut Company at 10 1-2 cents a pound for white and 8 1-2 cents for gray. Other fares are schs. James W. Parker from Boston with 35,000 pounds fresh fish; Manhasset, 90,000 pounds and Laverna, 55,000 pounds, all from Boston. Gill netting receipts totaled about 30,000 pounds yesterday, only a part of the fleet being out. Several of the crafts are down to the eastward but will be working this way again. Str. Quoddy was high line of the gill net fleet Saturday, lifting 12,000 pounds.

## Arrivals and Receipts.

Sch. John Hays Hammond, Grand Banks, 20,000 lbs. fresh halibut, 15,000 lbs. salt cod.  
Sch. Lucania, via Boston.  
Str. Eosen, gill netting, 1800 lbs. fresh fish.  
Str. Alice, gill netting, 1200 lbs. fresh fish.  
Str. Quoddy, gill netting, 2600 lb. fresh fish.  
Str. Enterprise, gill netting, 3000 lbs. fresh fish.  
Str. Bethulia, gill netting, 2000 lbs. fresh fish.  
Str. Venture, gill netting, 1500 lbs. fresh fish.  
Str. Philomena, gill netting, 1000 lbs. fresh fish.  
Str. Julia May, gill netting, 600 lbs. fresh fish.  
Str. Evelyn H., gill netting, 1600 lbs. fresh fish.  
Str. George E. Fisher, gill netting, 2500 lbs. fresh fish.  
Str. Gertrude T., gill netting, 3500 lbs. fresh fish.  
Str. Orion, gill netting, 2000 lbs. fresh fish.  
Str. Carrie and Mildred, gill netting, 2600 lbs. fresh fish.  
Str. Medomak, gill netting, 500 lbs. fresh fish.  
Str. Dolphin, gill netting, 500 lbs. fresh fish.  
Str. Water Witch, gill netting, 2500 lbs. fresh fish.  
Sch. Little Fannie, gill netting, 1000 lbs. fresh fish.  
Sch. James W. Parker, via Boston, 35,000 lbs. fresh fish.  
Sch. Manhasset, via Boston, 90,000 lbs. fresh fish.  
Sch. Laverna via Boston, 55,000 lbs. fresh fish.  
Sch. Victor, seining, returned.

## Vessels Sailed.

Sch. Lafayette, south mackerel netting.  
Sch. Etta Mildred, Georges handlining.  
Sch. Stranger, haddocking.  
Sch. Ingomar, Cape North shacking.

Sch. Thomas S. Gorton, Cape North shacking.  
Sch. Elk, halibuting.  
Sch. Senator, flitched halibuting.  
Sch. Monitor, halibuting.  
Sch. Gov. Foss, halibuting.

## TODAY'S FISH MARKET.

### Salt Fish.

Handline Georges codfish, large, \$5 per cwt.; medium, \$4; snappers, \$3.  
Eastern halibut codfish, large, \$5; medium, \$4.50.  
Georges halibut, codfish, large, \$5.50; mediums, \$4.50.  
Cusk, large, \$2.50; mediums, \$2; snappers, \$1.50.  
Haddock, \$2.00.  
Hake, \$2.00.

### Fresh Fish.

Splitting prices:  
Haddock, \$1.10 per cwt.  
Cod, large, \$2.25; medium, \$1.85; snappers, 75c.  
All codfish, not gilled, 10c per 100 pounds less than the above.  
Hake, \$1.10.  
Cusk, large, \$1.75; medium, \$1.25; snappers, 50c.  
Pollock, 90c.  
Fresh halibut 10 1-2c per lb. for white and 8 1-2c for gray.

# SCH. MARY SEARS HAS BIG FARE

Brings 130,000 Pound Catch  
to New Fish Pier  
Today.

Three off shores constituted the bulk of arrivals at the new fish pier this morning. They were schs. Commonwealth, 78,000 pounds; Mary F. Sears, 130,000 pounds; Conqueror, 75,000 pounds and 2000 pounds fresh halibut.

Wholesale quotations were \$1.25 to \$2.50 a hundred weight for haddock, \$3 for large and \$1.75 to \$2.50 for market cod, \$2 to \$3 for hake and \$3 to \$4 for pollock.

## Boston Arrivals and Receipts.

The arrivals and receipts in detail are:  
Str. Foam, 95,000 haddock, 42,000 cod, 12,000 cusk.  
Sch. Paul, 1400 cod.  
Sch. Minnie, 3000 cod.  
Sch. Commonwealth 30,000 haddock, 14,000 cod, 18,000 hake, 16,000 cusk.  
Sch. Mary F. Sears, 75,000 haddock, 40,000 cod, 10,000 hake, 4000 cusk, 1000 halibut.  
Sch. Conqueror, 40,000 haddock, 15,000 cod, 20,000 cusk, 2000 halibut.  
Sch. Annie Perry, 17,000 haddock, 11,000 cod.  
Sch. Esther Gray, 12,000 cod.  
Sch. Emily Sears, 9500 cod.  
Sch. Alberta, 1000 cod.  
Haddock, \$1.25 to \$2.50 per cwt.; large cod, \$3; market cod, \$1.75 to \$2.50; hake, \$2 to \$3; pollock, \$3 to \$4.

# FIRST HONOR FOR CAPT. "LEM" FIRTH

Sch. Rob Roy at Fulton Dock With  
Opening Fresh Mackerel Fare of  
6000 Tinkers—Sell at 12 1-2  
Cents Each.

The first mackerel of the season to be taken by a seiner was landed at Fulton market, New York, this morning, when sch. Rob Roy, Capt. Lemuel Firth, arrived with 6000 small mackerel weighing a half pound each. Last year the first trip was secured by sch. Lottie G Merchant, Capt. Ralph Webber, who landed six barrels at Lews, Delaware, while sch. Monarch, Capt. John F. Vautier had the honor of being the first craft to dock at New York, arriving April 26 with 5000 large fish.

It was 9.15 o'clock this morning,

when Capt. Firth docked with fare. The school was taken Monday east by north from Cape Charles in fathoms of water. Capt. Firth saw number of small schools but they were too wild to catch.

Heavy weather was encountered last week and no large fish seen. Capt. Firth reports speaking sch. Lottie Merchant, Capt. Ralph Webber, Saturday evening, southeast of Win Quarter lightship.

Capt. William Corkum, sch. Lois Corkum is expected at New York day with 2700 bluefish.

Advices received in Boston this morning states that the fish were selling 12 1-2 cents apiece.

# PORT AU BASQUE LATE REPORT

The following reports were received yesterday by the Board of Trade: "From T. Soper, April 4th—(Channel to Port aux Basques)—The total catch is 2837 qtls. of codfish and for last week 214. Five boats and 42 dories and skiffs are fishing. No bankers but the following schooners have arrived from the grounds, Bell of Burgeo, Beatrice K., Louise A. W., Grace Otis, Soucis Viguette and Condor. These have done very well considering ice conditions, and they have among them approximately 1000 quintals. Prospects are very good, and there is sufficient frozen herring for bait at present. The ice hangs on the shore, being driven in and off by high winds and fishermen have been very much hampered in their operations. Better results could not possibly have been accomplished under the present circumstances. It is a pity just now, with such a fine show of fish, that the ice should be scattered all over the fishing grounds.

From R. Furneaux, April 4th (Rose Blanche to Petites)—The total catch is 8520 and for last week 630. Eight boats and 68 dories and skiffs are fishing. Thirty-three schooners have arrived from the grounds. There is a great improvement over last week, but the bait supply of frozen herrings is almost used up. The weather has been stormy and boats and schooners

were fishing only part of two days. Had the weather been favorable the catch would have been the largest of the season. Both skiffs and schooners found fish more plentiful than in a week past, but could set only a small quantity of gear each, on account of unfavorable weather."—St. John's, F., Herald, April 15.

## Halibut Sale.

The halibut sale of sch. John Hays Hammond sold to the American Halibut Company for 10½ cents for white and 8½ cents for gray.

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## Hauled Out of Gill Netting.

Steamer Seven Brothers has concluded her season here in the gill fishery and will return today to New York. Capt. George G. Hamor has been in command and will now fit mackerel seining in sch. Corsair.

## Gone Pollock Seining.

Steamer Bryda F. has abandoned gill netting to engage in pollock seining.